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Paul Gottinger
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RE: 19-00028-FOIA
Copies of records documenting the number of employees of the CFTC who retired/were terminated, or left the CFTC for any reason, for the years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, as well as a copy of records documenting the number of new employees hired to work for the CFTC in the years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

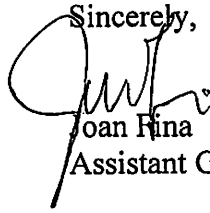
Dear Mr. Gottinger:

On January 12, 2019 we received your request dated January 12, 2019 under the Freedom of Information Act seeking access to “copies of records documenting the number of employees of the CFTC who retired/were terminated, or left the CFTC for any reason, for the years 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, as well as a copy of records documenting the number of new employees hired to work for the CFTC in the years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.” In your request you also asked for a fee waiver for any charges incurred by this request.

We are granting your request for a fee waiver since we have found that the disclosure of the information you requested is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and that the request is not primarily in your organization's commercial interests. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(A)(i) and (iii).

If you have any questions about the way we are handling your request or about our FOIA regulations or procedures, please contact William Proctor at 202-418-5148.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joan Rina", is written over the printed name.

Joan Rina
Assistant General Counsel